(c) to (e) Twenty-two Special Mobile Courts in Andhra Pradesh and four exclusive special courts in Tamil Nadu have been set up. In Karnataka, all Judicial Magistrate First Class Courts at Taluk Head Quarters undertake trail of cases under the Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and in Madhya Pradesh; the cases are attend to by the District Courts.

Pathetic condition of children in Juvenile Homes

†4917. DR. A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the condition of children in Juvenile Homes set-up by Govemment is very pitiable;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the behaviour of officers towards the children of these Homes is very harsh and cruel in Delhi;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the efforts being made by Govemment to improve the condition of these Homes?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) to (d) According to report received from the Govemment of NCT of Delhi, it is not correct that the condition of children in Juvenile homes is pitiable and the behaviour of officers towards the children of these Homes is very harsh and cruel. The Department run homes are providing boarding, lodging, recreation, medical facilities, education, vocational training to the juveniles.

Atrocities on SC and ST Women

†4918. SHRI MOOLCHAND MEENA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is increase in incidents of rape and atrocities with the women belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the country;

(b) the details thereof for the last five years, State-wise;

(c) the action Govemment have taken to check such incidents; and

(d) the outcome of the action taken by Govemment?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) and (b) The State/UT wise position for the last five years is given at Statement (See *below).*

(c) and (d) The Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 which is implemented by State Governments/Union Territory Administrations, provides for prescribed punishment for offences covered under the Act. Govemment of India has been impressing upon the State Governments/UT Administrations to implement provisions of the Act in letter and spirit and take preventive action in checking offences. Besides, the provisions of the Act are publicized for creating awareness amongst Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. Financial assistance is being provided under the scheme for strengthening of administrative and enforcement machinery, relief and rehabilitation of affected persons and for generation of awareness.

Statement

Number of incidents of rape against Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes women during the years 1997,1998,1999,2000 and2001

No. States/UTs	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
1. Andhra Pradesh	74	79	83	70	72
2. Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0
3. Assam	0	0	2	0	0
4. Bihar	24	27	28	27	17
5. Chhattisgarh	—	—	—	—	95
6. Goa	0	0	0	0	0
7. Gujarat	49	48	51	39	29
8. Haryana	13	24	26	20	17
9. Himachal Pradesh	3	7	4	7	6
10. Jammu & Kashmir	4	0	2	5	1
11. Jharkhand	—	—	—	—	NA
12. Karnataka	6	11	7	18	14
13. Kerala	98	101	64	93	95
14. Madhya Pradesh	495	463	538	533	504
IS. Maharashtra	51	48	74	75	75
16. Manipur	0	0	0	0	0
17. Meghalaya	0	0	0	0	0
18. Mizoram	0	0	1	0	0

LN	States/UTs	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
19.	Nagaland	0	0	0	0	0
20.	Orissa	25	28	18	23	6
21.	Punjab	3	4	8	10	4
22	Rajasthan	199	166	186	166	196
23.	Sikkim	2	1	2	1	0
24.	Tamil Nadu	11	5	12	17	7
25.	Tripura	0	0	0	0	0
26.	Uttranchal	—	—	—	—	5
27.	Uttar Pradesh	303	242	277	382	371
28.	West Bengal	0	0	0	0	3
29.	A&N Islands	1	0	0	0	0
30.	Chandigarh	0	0	0	0	0
31.	D&N Haveli	0	0	0	0	1
31	Daman & Diu	0	0	1	0	0
33.	Delhi	0	0	0	0	0
34.	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0
35.	Pondicherry	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL:	1352	1254	1384	1486	1518

Source:— National Crimes Record Bureau, Ministry of Home Affairs. NA—Not Available.

Setting up of Sanitary Marts

4919. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTI A: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Govemment had launched the concept of Sanitary Marts to liberate and rehabilitate the scavengers;

(b) if so, the number of Sanitary marts set-up during the last three years alongwith financial assistance provided, State-wise;

(c) the reasons for very slow pace for setting-up of Sanitary Marts; and

(d) the fresh steps taken for proper and expeditious implementation of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The State-wise details of